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SUBJECT: SUMMARY OF SOVIET PRESS - NOV 12

1.U.S.:

--PRAVDA AND IZVESTIYA REPORT ARRIVAL OF U.S. MAYORS

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DELEGATION LED BY DENVER MAYOR MACNICHOLS AND THEIR MEETING

AT FRIENDSHIP HOUSE ON NOV 11.

-- PRAVDA CARRIES TASS WASHINGTON ITEM REPORTING NASA PRESS CONFERENCE ON RESULTS OF VIKING 1 AND 2 MARS MISSIONS.

-- PRAVDA CARRIES TASS WASHINGTON ITEM ON MEETING AT HOWARD UNIVERSITY CRITICIZING ANTI-CUBAN ACTIVITIES AND CALLING FOR SPECIAL SENATE COMMISSION TO INVESTIGATE CIA INVOLVEMENT.

-- ANOTHER TASS WASHINGTON ITEM IN PRAVDA CITES "WASHINGTON POST" REPORT THAT ATTORNEY GENERAL LEVY HAD ORDERED CONTINUED FBI "MASSIVE SURVEILLANCE" OF THE CPUSA. TASS CITES "PRESS" CHARGES THAT SUCH ACTIONS ARE AGAINST THE CONSTITUTION.

-- IZVESTIYA CARRIES A PHOTO OF STRIKING MEDICAL WORKERS IN THE BRONX. CAPTION DESCRIBES STRIKES THIS AUTUMN BY US WORKERS IN MANY FIELDS.

2. OTHER COVERAGE:

-- PRAVDA AND IZVESTIYA CARRY TASS NEW YORK REPORT OF SOVIET SUBMISSION OF MDW RESOLUTION IN UNGA AND JOINT PROPOSAL BY USSR, POLAND, AND GDR FOR RESOLUTION SUPPORTING WDC WHICH CONFERENCE, STORY RECALLS, WAS CALLED FOR BY COMUMBO NAM CONFERENCE.

-- KZ HAS SOMEWHAT UNUSUAL STORY DETAILING FRENCH MILITARY BUDGET SUBMITTED BY GOF TO NATIONAL ASSEMBLY. FRENCH GET VELVET GLOVE TREATMENT COMPARED TO U.S. AND FRG, BUT NEVERTHELESS CRITICISM IMPLIED BY SELECTED FIGURES CITED (E.G., DEFENSE ELEMENT GROWING PERCENT OF NATIONAL BUDGET) AND BY QUOTING UDR AND COMMUNIST DEPUTIES' REMARKS ABOUT ACCENT ON FRENCH "SOLIDARITY" WITH NATO AND SUPPOSED PLANS FOR FRENCH INTEGRATION INTO NATO MILITARY FORCES.

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-- PRAVDA NOTES MBFR PLENARY MEETING.

-- ON M.E. COVERAGE, CENTRAL PRESS REPORTS SADAT'S REMARKS TO NEW CABINET. ACCORDING TO TASS, HE SPOKE "WITH SATISFACTION" OF THE DEVELOPMENT OF EGYPTIAN-AMERICAN RELATIONS, NOTING THAT THIS YEAR U.S. HAD RENDERED EGYPT \$750 MILLION IN AID. "WE MUST," HE SAID, COOPERATE WITH NEW U.S. PRESIDENT ON

FOUNDATIONS OF "PREVIOUS STRATEGIC COURSE." NO MENTION IS MADE IN CENTRAL PRESS OF SADAT'S REMARKS ABOUT SOVIET UNION.

-- CENTRAL PRESS COVERAGE MENTIONS SUCCESSFUL "FIRST STAGE" OF ENTRY OF ARAB FORCE INTO REGIONS OF MOST INTENSIVE FIGHTING IN LEBANON.

-- PRAVDA CARRIES LENGTHY NOV 7 GREETING FROM CC CP SYRIA TO CC CPSU. MESSAGE EMPHASIZES MILITARY ASSISTANCE WHICH SOVIET UNION HAS RENDERED SYRIA. MESSAGE LAUDS "BROAD AND FULL SUPPORT" EXTENDED BY SOVIET UNION DURING OCTOBER WAR "AND IN ALL NATIONAL BATTLES OF OUR COUNTRY."

--PRAVDA COMMENTATOR'S COLUMN BY V. TYURKIN DESCRIBES GROWING MILITARY, ECONOMIC, AND POLITICAL RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN ISRAEL AND SOUTH AFRICA. TYURKIN CONCLUDES THAT THIS "REACTIONARY ALLIANCE" REPRESENTS A SERIOUS THREAT FOR THE SECURITY OF AFRICAN AND ARAB PEOPLE.

--IZVESTIYA INTERNATIONAL COMMENTARY BY K. URALOV DESCRIBES LATEST NAMIBIAN DEVELOPMENTS. RECENT UNSC VETO OF NAMIBIAN RESOLUTION REVEALED FALSENESS OF ANNOUNCED POLICY OF U.S. AND NATO PARTNERS OF PROTECTING INTERESTS OF AFRICAN PEOPLE. PRIMARY PURPOSE OF SOUTH AFRICAN AND IMPERIALIST MANEUVERS OVER NAMIBIA IS TO KEEP SWAPO AT A DISTANCE UNTIL PUPPET STATE CAN BE SET UP. ATTEMPTS ARE BEING MADE TO CREATE A SPLIT WITHIN SWAPO, TO APPLY PRESSURE TO IT TO FORCE ITS AGREEMENT TO NEGOTIATE ON FORMATION OF A COALITION GOVERNMENT. SWAPO IS READY TO NEGOTIATE, SAYS URALOV, LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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ON CONDITION THAT NEGOTIATIONS CONCERN ACTUAL STEPS ON THE TRANSFER OF POWER TO AFRICAN MAJORITY.

-- PRAVDA AND KZ MENTION FOUNDING OF SOVIET-ANGOLAN FRIENDSHIP SOCIETY LED BY V.I. VOROTNIKOV, FIRST DEP CHAIRMAN OF COUNCIL OF MINISTERS OF RSFSR.

-- ON EASTERN EUROPE, WITH GIEREK TRAVELLING IN PROVINCES, THE FOCUS ON CONTINUING HEAVY MEDIA ATTENTION SWITCHES TO PROLETARIAN INTERNATIONALISM AND YUGOSLAVIA:

-- PRAVDA LEADER ON "FRATERNAL EXCHANGE OF EXPERIENCE" AMONG COMMUNIST COUNTRIES, ESPECIALLY IN ECONOMICS, CONCLUDES THAT SOVIETS LEARN FROM OTHERS,

BUT MAKES CLEAR THAT "EXPERIENCE" OF FIRST "SOCIALIST"
COUNTRY IS PARAMOUNT, AND DEVOTES SPECIAL PARAGRAPH TO
IDEOLOGY:

-- S. ALEKSANDROV COMMENTARY IN KZ IS TOUGHEST
EXPOSITION OF SOVIET VIEWS ON "GENERAL REGULARITIES"
OF "SOCIALIST CONSTRUCTION," STRENGTHENING OF COMMUNIST
UNITY AND PROLETARIAN INTERNATIONALISM WE HAVE SEEN
IN LONG TIME;

-- LONG PRAVDA ACCOUNT OF CUNHAL'S REPORT TO
PORTUGUESE COMMUNIST CONGRESS IS LONG PAEAN TO PROLE-
TARIAN INTERNATIONALISM.

-- SENIOR IZVESTIYA COMMENTATOR BOVIN,
PHONING FROM BELGRADE, GIVES SUNNY ACCOUNT OF RELATIONS
WHICH SHOW "BASELESSNESS" OF "SPECULATIONS" OF "CERTAIN
WESTERN ACTIVISTS", LAUDS BREZHNEV'S ROLE IN "FREEING"
RELATIONS FROM "REMAINS OF PAST DEPOSITS." NOVOYE
VREMYA CORRESPONDENT GAVILEVSKIY NOTES CONTINUALLY
INCREASING YUGOSLAV NEEDS FOR ENERGY. NEITHER MENTION
1955 DELGRADE DECLARATION.

-- PRAVDA AND KRASNAYA ZVEZDA FRONTPAGE ACCOUNT
OF BREZHNEV'S MEETING WITH ROMANIAN DEFMIN COMAN, WHO
TRANSMITTED MESSAGES TO AND FROM CEAUSESCU, IN "FRIENDLY
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